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	Fabrics, Floor Coverings, and Bare)	
	Floor Surfaces Utilizing a Soil)	
	Transfer Cleaning Medium Surface)	
	Maintenance Machine)	

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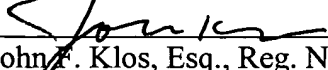
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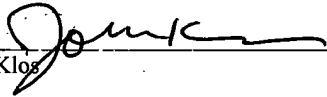
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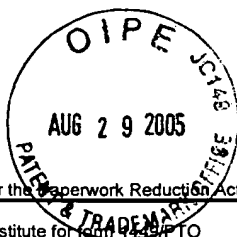
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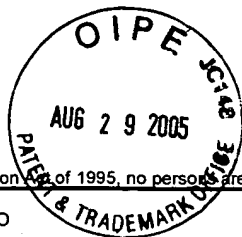
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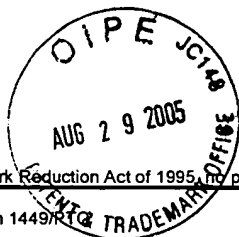
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